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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98 copies of the following patents and/or publications are submitted herewith:

U.S. Patent No. 5,314,279 (Ewing), dated May 24, 1994;

German Published Non-Prosecuted Patent Application DE 34 42 316 A1 (Wege), dated May 22, 1986, and English abstract thereof;

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PCT WO 92/14939 (Ewing), dated September 3, 1992 and corresponding U.S. Patent No. 2,527,294 (Bailey), dated October 24, 1950 and corresponding U.S. Patent No. 5,190,423 (Ewing), dated March 2, 1993;

Author not listed: "Carbon and Graphite Artifacts", Ullmann's Encyclopedia Of Industrial Chemistry, VCH Verlagsgesellschaft mbH, Weinheim, Vol. A5, 1986, pp. 103-113;

Lancaster, J. K.: "Transitions in the Friction and Wear of Carbons and Graphites Sliding Against Themselves", ASLE Transactions, Vol. 18, 3, pp. 187-201.

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Respectfully submitted,



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